

Michigan Army National Guard Helicopters Rescue Lost Boy

Two helicopter crews from Camp Grayling rescued 13-year-old Michael Ostrowski of Mt. Clemens from the Dead Stream Swamp area west of Houghton Lake during the evening of 7 December 1975. He was hunting rabbits with his father when he became separated at approximately 5:15 p.m.

He was located at 9:30 p.m. after approximately 15 minutes of searching by the Guard helicopters which used high-intensity searchlights during the operation.

One of the pilots of the rescue ships, Captain Jerry J. Johnston of Roscommon (a pilot with both the Guard and the Department of Natural Resources) had flown over the area in a fixed wing aircraft belonging to the DNR earlier in the evening but had been unable to see anything on the ground due to darkness.

He recommended that the Michigan State Police contact Camp Grayling for possible help from the helicopter crews that are currently training there. After this was done and permission for the mission was received from the Adjutant General's Office in Lansing, Captain Johnston volunteered to pilot one of the aircraft.

When the Ostrowski youth was located, an Army Guard medic, Specialist Fourth Class Michael Dawson of Ionia, was lowered through the trees by use of a rescue hoist as there was no place to land the helicopter in the dense swamp. He found that the youth had lost his hat and gloves and was suffering from exposure and possibly frostbite from repeatedly breaking through the ice of the swamp.

After attending to him, both were hoisted back into the rescue helicopter while the second ship lit the area with its searchlight. Troopers from the Houghton Lake post explained that the rescue had saved the boy's life.

Helicopter Crews:
Pilot - Captain Jerry J. Johnston, Roscommon, Company A, 38th Aviation Battalion, Grand Ledge.

Pilot - Chief Warrant Officer Two Douglas Thomas, Parma, Company A, 38th Aviation Battalion, Grand Ledge.

Pilot - Chief Warrant Officer Two Lawrence Bush, Muskegon, Company A, 38th Aviation Battalion, Grand Ledge.

Pilot - Chief Warrant Officer Two Thomas Schweitzer, Byron Center, Company A, 38th Aviation Battalion, Grand Ledge.

Crew Chief - Specialist Five James Craig, Alto, 1463 Transportation Company, Grand Ledge.

Crew Chief - Specialist Four Kenneth Steer, Marne, Company A, 38th Aviation Battalion, Grand Ledge.

Medic - Specialist Four Michael Dawson, Ionia, Detachment 1, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 126th Infantry, Ionia.

Install Bleachers at High School Gym

By Kurt Larson

The Grayling High School gym will soon be the new home of the basketball Vikings upon the completion of the newly arrived bleacher section for spectator seating. Athletic Director Michael Branch announced this week.

According to Mr. Branch, the seating for some 1700 spectators will be ready for the first home game after Christmas vacation. After this game with Cheboygan on January 9th, all home contests involving high school teams will be played in the new gym. Already, the wrestling, girls' volleyball and basketball teams along with the freshman basketball team play at the high school gym.

If the McFadden, the seating company installing the bleachers, has their fold-out style seating assembled ahead of schedule, there is a possibility to play this Friday's game against Petoskey at the high school. Branch said he would

announce this if the opportunity arose. Seating will include both sides of the gym plus the mezzanine. The fold-out style of seating will also allow full usage of the gym when a contest is not being held.

Branch also stated several reasons for the move out to the new high school gym. An apparent one is the definite parking problem around the middle school gym. Comparatively, the high school parking facility can accommodate some 1,000 cars to that of the middle school's 125.

Another factor in the decision to move games to the high school is in the high school gym, and find it difficult to schedule time to get some practice at the middle school.

As for the 1500-seat middle school gym, it will still be put to heavy use, according to Branch. The older gym was the home of the Vikings for about 17 years, site of many district and re-

[See Bleachers on page 3]

Land Use Controls Now More Acceptable

By Willard Bosserman, County Extension Director

"People are more willing to accept land use controls", Dr. Raleigh Barlowe, Specialist in Land and Water Policy, Michigan State University stated to an audience at a land use meeting in West Branch Thursday, December 11.

He gave several reasons for this shift in thinking. People have a broader education and no longer accept the idea that the land owner has sole right to use property with disregard to societies needs. Wider suffrage gives many non-property owners a voice in land use matters. Consequently land owners have less voice. Because there is wider suffrage there is actually a more democratic society. More people have a voice in the decisions which are made that affect their destinies, their lives. More people have higher incomes. A higher standard of living is shared by a greater number of people in this country. Land is not held by a few wealthy families as in some countries.

Shrinking resources is having an effect on how people feel about land being mis-used. More and more people are becoming concerned about the waste of agricultural land and open spaces. More people are becoming aware that if we as a society do not plan ahead to protect open space and farm land now it will be extremely costly at a later date to reclaim such lost land.

More people are becoming concerned about the environment. They are willing to accept more controls to protect the environment. They are willing to accept more controls to protect the environment, to have clean air to breathe and clean water to drink. They are willing to give up some personal freedoms for the benefit of society. Dr. Barlowe went on to give a history of property ownership starting in the days when land was owned by the king in the 1100 A.D. Fifteen people attended the meeting from Crawford and Roscommon counties.



CIVIL DEFENSE TRAINING SESSION—During the week of December 1st the United States Department of Defense conducted a one week training session of Northern Michigan Civil Defense Directors at Grayling High School. The classes were conducted by members of the Michigan State Police, the Department of Defense, the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency and other selected government agencies. The training session was coordinated by Michigan Technological University.

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Fire Hits Frederic Souvenir Plant



A fire of undetermined origin hit the AuSable Woodworking plant in Frederic at about 9:00 a.m. Friday destroying three buildings of the plant.

The blaze broke out in the lacquer room at the rear of the plant, according to Gene Kaiser, vice-president of the company. Two people, Gene Harmer and Lavonda Wilson, were at work in the room when the lacquer exploded into flame. Both were able to escape uninjured, Kaiser said.

Kaiser stated Monday that the loss was estimated at nearly \$250,000, which included besides the lacquer building, storage of finished products for spring delivery, and also raw material being processed.

Officers of this family owned company, which is the life blood of Frederic are: Albert Madill, president; his wife Norma; secretary - treasurer; and their son, James, and son-in-law, Eugene Kaiser, vice-presidents.

The company manufactures souvenir wood products, and has dealers throughout the U.S., Canada as well as foreign countries, with an employment of 70 persons.

The company has made plans already to build a 40 x 80 metal building to replace the damaged portion of the plant, a spokesman said.

Firemen from Frederic, (See Frederic on page 2)

Santa Claus At Bank Friday Night, Dec. 19th



Through the efforts of Jack Aief, President of the Grayling State Bank, arrangements have been made with Santa Claus to meet with area children this Friday evening, Dec. 19th. St. Nick will be at the bank from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

An invitation is extended to all children in the county to come in and visit with him.

Santa Claus will also announce the winners of the two bicycles (boys and girls) that the bank is giving away.

WARNING

Inactive Duty Training will be conducted by units of the Michigan Air National Guard during the period 17-20 and 23, 24 Dec 75.

The Air to Ground Range located on the Artillery Range near Guthrie Lake north of County 612 will be used.

This range will be closed during the above dates and all persons are warned to stay out of this area.

Saints-Hurons Win Petoskey Northmen To Visit Vikingland Friday

The St. Ignace Saints spoiled the Vikings' home cage opener with a 79-45 win, and the Rogers City Hurons extended their winless streak in the Michigan-Huron Shores Conference last Friday with a 75-49 victory.

The Vikings were at home last night (Tuesday) for a non-league contest with the Kalkaska Blue Blazers, and will wind up their pre-holiday break with a conference game against the Petoskey Northmen on their home court Friday.

Pancake Dinner
The Grayling Elias Big Boy Restaurant is sponsoring a Pancake Dinner for Crawford County Senior Citizens on Monday, December 22, at the Senior Citizen Center at four o'clock. David Zielinski, owner of the Big Boy, will do the serving.

Bell Ringers to Perform Downtown

The Grayling High School Bell Ringers will present a concert of Christmas Carols from 7 to 8 p.m. on Michigan Avenue on Dec. 19th and Dec. 23rd.

On Friday, Dec. 19th, they will perform in front of Dad's from 7 to 7:30, and in front of Francois, from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, they will be in front of Dawson's from 7 to 7:30, and move to the Yardstick from 7:30 to 8.

This unique group is under the direction of Howard Taylor, and for those who may not have heard them before, should make an effort to listen to them.

Legion's 30th Annual Kiddies' Christmas Party This Thursday

The Grayling Post 106, American Legion will hold their 30th annual Kiddies' Christmas party for Crawford County children on Thursday, Dec. 18th.

This year the schedule will be the same as last year when the Frederic pre-school and grades kindergarten through fifth were entertained at the Frederic Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

The party will then move on to the Legion Hall in Grayling where Grayling pre-school and kindergarten children will receive their goodies from 10:50 until 11:30 a.m.

The rest of the schedule is as follows:

11:40 to 12:15 fourth grades, 12:15 to 12:50 third grades, 12:50 to 1:30 kindergarten, 1:30 to 2:10 second grades, and 2:10 to 2:45 first grades.

Contributions are being accepted by the Legion Post to help defray expenses of the party. Donations may be left at the Legion Club or given to John Wejrowski, Leo Lovely or Ken Moore.

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Xmas Party Held
The Grayling Women's Club held their Christmas Party on December 1st at the Adult Foster Home with 12 members present. Four of the ladies who made up the home were present.

Singo was played and lunch served on the table which was a gift to the home from the Women's Club. Programmers were Ruth Farnon, Thelma Johnson and Trava Engel.

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(Courtesy of Check Point)

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Avalanche Publication Dates For Christmas and New Year's Issues
With Christmas and New Year's Day falling on Thursday this year, the Avalanche will have different publication days inside two weeks.

The Christmas edition will be printed on Monday afternoon, December 22nd, with deadline for news and advertising copy at 5:00 p.m., Friday, Dec. 19th.

The New Year's edition will be printed early Tuesday morning, December 30th, with a deadline at noon on Monday, December 29th.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Kiwanians To Sell Xmas Newspapers

The Grayling Kiwanians will be on the streets this Friday afternoon selling their annual Christmas newspaper. Proceeds from the paper are used by the Kiwanis Club in many local projects they participate in throughout the year. Give generously.

Want To Give?

Contributions are being accepted by the American Legion Post 106 to help defray the expenses of the annual Kiddies' Christmas Party. Donations may be left at the American Legion Club or given to John Wejrowski, Leo Lovely or Ken Moore.

Vike Matmen Place 3rd At Soo Tourney

The Grayling Wrestling Team returned Sunday morning with the 3rd place trophy from the Soo Invitational. The tournament consisted of 4 class "A", 2 class "B" and 4 class "C" teams. The Vikings Carl Partello was voted the tournament's most valuable wrestler. Scoring for the Vikings were:

Bill Kellogg - 1st - 904; Dale Carman - 5th - 1004; Jeff Schlaack - 1st - 1120; Carl Partello, 1st - 1190; Jeff Kolha, 3rd - 1264; Grant Byce, 2nd - 1324.

Also picking up victories were Scott Hanson and Larry Bayham.

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CHRISTMAS

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Dec. 24: Candlelight service with special music at 7:30 p.m.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Dec. 21: Annual Christmas Program at 7:00 p.m.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH
Dec. 24: Christmas Eve, Candlelight Worship Service at 6:30 p.m.

FREDERIC CHURCH OF GOD
Dec. 21: 10:00 a.m. Christmas Program.

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Dec. 24: Holy Eucharist Service at 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 25: Holy Eucharist Service at 11:00 a.m.

MT. HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Dec. 17: Wed. Service of Song, Dec. 21: Sunday at 7:30, Children's Christmas Pageant.

Dec. 24: Wed., Christmas Candlelight Service at 7:30. Dec. 25: Thurs., 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service.

Dec. 31: New Year Eve Service at 7:30.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FREDERIC
Dec. 21: The Sunday School department will present a play "The Little Brother of Man-kind". There will also be a special gift for all boys and girls at 7:00 p.m. Each one is cordially invited to attend.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS FOR ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Dec. 24: Wednesday, Children's Christmas Mass at 7:00 p.m. Dec. 24: Midnight Mass.

Dec. 25: Thursday Christmas Service, 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Visitors are cordially welcomed to celebrate the Birth of the Saviour at any of these liturgical services.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Sunday, December 21st, at 7:00 p.m. the Assembly of God Church, 911 E. Grayling, will be presenting their annual Christmas Program. Each Sunday School class will be giving a special message about Christmas. The church choir will also present some Christmas songs. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Everyone is invited.

MELODY HALL CLASS—On Monday evening, December 22nd, the high school competition music class will give a special presentation of the program they have learned during the semester, each class member of the class will be invited to take a number of their chosen and concert at the Melody Hall to the music system. Then to visit their ability. The "Proud of the Pudding" was presented at the Melody Hall on Monday evening with each class and requested to prepare their songs along with their members. The class is the instructor of this evening course for high school.

Avalanche Notice

In order to give our staff a little extra time off during the holiday season, the Avalanche office will be closed all day on Wednesday, December 24th, and also Wednesday, December 30th.



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Con-Gas Offices Holiday Closing

All Michigan Consolidated Gas Company customer business offices will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, December 24 and 25, and Wednesday and Thursday, December 31 and January 1, in observance of the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays. Although the offices will be closed, the Company said emergency service calls will be handled in the usual prompt and efficient manner. The offices will be open the Fridays following the two holidays, but they will be closed Saturdays and Sundays, as always.

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Bielski Cage Coach At Flint School



Marv Bielski is the new basketball coach at Flint Carman High School this year. Bielski spent six years at Carman as junior varsity coach before assuming the position. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bielski of Grayling and a 1954 graduate of Grayling High School. He graduated from Central Michigan University and received his masters degree from the University of Montana. Prior to going to Carman, Bielski was at Dye Junior High School, where he coached freshman basketball for four years, JV for one year and varsity for two years. He and his wife, Karra, are the parents of two daughters, Amanda and Tamra.

Frederic

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Grayling and Gaylord were aided by Department of Natural Resources personnel and National Guardsmen from Camp Grayling who brought the flames under control about two hours after the blaze began.

Vikings

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ings, they got their shots, but the ball just wouldn't go through the hoop. With a 23-13 advantage after the first 8 minutes, the Hurons left little doubt of the outcome of the contest as they followed with 16-11, 20-8, and 18-18 quarter counts. Money and Hinkle were the only Vikings to hit the double digits in the loss when they finished with 15 and 14 respectively. Bill Dean had 8, White 4, with Good, All Johnson and Dan Bonamie, 2 each, and Olsen and Perry Papendick 1 each. For the Hurons, Belusar tallied 20, with Peltz adding 12, and Grambau 10, to lead the way to their win. The Viking JV's faced the same obstacles as the varsity and finished with the same results, a 64-37 loss to the little Saints, and a 74-54 defeat at Rogers City. In the St. Ignace contest, Randy McClain tossed in 18 markers, followed by Bryon Duncan with 7, Tom Kaiser 6, Dean Smith 4, and Tom Weideman 2. Coach Tom Mills had 3 in double figures against the little Hurons when Kaiser tallied 16, McClain 13, and Duncan 12. They were followed by Mark Goinick with 7, Randy Erickson 4, and Weideman 2.

Bits O' Talk

by Fay Boyce

Mr. and Mrs. Dave LaGulre are expected during the holidays to spend several days with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flick. Rick Gould arrived home on December 13th to spend a month during his term break from CMU at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gould. Bill is expected home from Wayne State on December 19th to spend the holidays. Crawford Co. Federal Credit Union will be closed Dec. 25, 26 & 27; also Jan. 1, 2 & 3. Mark Hanson will be arriving at the home of his parents, Col. and Mrs. David Hanson on December 20th to spend a two week leave. Mark is a cadet at West Point Military Academy, N. Y. Sorenson Agency & Associates will be closed Dec. 25, 26, & 27; also Jan. 1, 2 & 3. Airman 1st Jim Aiel will be arriving the end of the week from Pease Air Force Base, New Hampshire, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Aiel. Mr. and Mrs. Don Ferguson and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schlaack accompanied the Grayling High School boys' wrestling team to Sauli Ste. Marie on Saturday for the tournament.

TO CELEBRATE 82nd BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Hana St. Germain, who will be 82 years young on December 18th, has received two very special congratulatory messages. She received a card from President and Mrs. Gerald Ford and a letter from Governor Milliken. Needless to say, she is quite thrilled with the recognition from these famous people.

Mercy Hospital News

The following are among the patients at Mercy Hospital this week: Kenneth Bailey, Ethel Ferguson, John Harland, William Hoy, Paula Hunter, Teresa Kibbe, Danny Stappan, Arlene Shaw, Florence Stepan and Richard Thompson, all of Grayling; Ruth Ballou, Ellen Davis and Helen Meek, all of Frederic.

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Frederic News

We would like to extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Breckow, Jr., who repeated their wedding vows at St. Mary's Catholic Church at eleven o'clock Monday morning. Their attendants were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Breckow, Sr. The Senior Breckows held a luncheon at their home in the evening. We are sorry to hear that Stephanie Knutsen, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Knutsen, is in the Grayling Hospital.

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From Our Corner...

An ironic twist of fate enveloped Crawford County in the past week with the decision of the Bear Archery employees voting on a possible strike January 1st, — followed by the fire at the AuSable Woodworking Co. last Friday morning in Frederic.

With the economy that we are facing today — neither of the two were needed for our county's survival.

We do not wish to pretend to have full knowledge of the grievances that prompted the decision of the employees at the Archery — this decision was made by them.

For the employees at the Frederic Souvenir plant, they had no choice — fire has put the majority of them out of work.

Our bread lines keep getting longer and longer — where or when they will stop is beyond our comprehension.

But, we do know, Grayling needs Bear Archery — Frederic needs the AuSable Woodworking plant.

Owners of the Frederic operation have already begun to replace their loss with a new metal building in order to get back into full operation.

As for the Archery, will the parent company, Victor Comptometer Corp., have the same compassion for Grayling as the Frederic company has towards the welfare of Crawford County.

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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AV-ALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

23 YEARS AGO
December 18, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Piper are leaving for Chicago today and their daughter, Miss Holly, will accompany them home Friday from Ferry Hall School for Girls to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fenton and children and Mrs. Glen Fenton and girls expect to leave Monday to spend the Christmas holidays in Lincoln, Kansas.

Richard Owen visited his brother, Charles Owen and family here while on furlough last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel and Mr. Alfred Hummel went to Petoskey Friday.

Bessie and Dora Feldhauser spent the weekend in Mt. Pleasant visiting their sister, Mrs. Ed Reihl.

Dick Dawson now of Grand Rapids was here Friday and Saturday coming to get some of their house-hold furnishings.

The William Goinicks have purchased the former Babbitt house at the corner of Ogema and Plum Streets from the Richard Bielski's and are in the process of moving in.

The Richard Snyders of Bay City spent Sunday with Mrs. Oscar Hanson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacNeven spent several days in Lansing last week visiting their daughter and family, the Larry Frymires. The Frymires are to arrive Sunday to spend Christmas week.

Mike Harmer enjoyed his 6th birthday Saturday, December 13th. Lots of friends, many gifts and a nice birthday cake baked by Mrs. Kate Harmer his grandmother.

Max and Bea Tobin are really enjoying their Florida trip and expect to say hello to their friends around the 21st.

46 YEARS AGO
December 19, 1929

Charles W. Montrose of Detroit, director of Montrose Motion Picture Production, is in Grayling and at present is engaged in the photographing of locations which will be followed by the production of 24 two-reel motion pictures, which depict northern life.

Fred Welsh and Emil Giegling were in Bay City on business Wednesday. They report icy roads south of West Branch and blizzard weather.

Chris Hoesli and Carl Hanson are each driving International trucks.

Miss Margaret Cassidy of Grand Rapids is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cassidy. Miss Cassidy will remain until after Christmas.

Dr. G. E. Bearsch of Milwaukee has arrived in Grayling to begin his service with the Consolidated District Health Dept.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chappell are enjoying a visit from the latter's sister, Mrs. Libby Stillwell of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chappell of Oxford visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chappell from Wednesday until Friday.

Mrs. P. L. Brown entertained several ladies at "500" at her home Thursday evening.

The ladies of the Bridge Club were guests at a delightful bridge luncheon Saturday afternoon, the hostess being Mrs. Robert Regan.

Emil Kraus was in Detroit on business last week.

Alfred Hanson has been in Detroit on business for several days.

Misses Irene McKay and Clarice Welsh were visitors in Gaylord Tuesday.

Mrs. Menno Corwin and Miss Gaye Matheson motored to Bay City Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ahman made a business trip to Saginaw Monday. They expect to be away a week.

Mrs. Harry Sorenson returned home Saturday after spending a week in Detroit visiting relatives and friends.

Alfred Herman of Lansing spent the weekend visiting his wife and baby. Mrs. Herman will remain until after Christmas.

Mrs. Ernest Jorgenson of Pontiac arrived Tuesday to visit at the home of Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson over the Xmas holidays.

Miss Marie Schmidt who is attending the U. of M. at Ann Arbor arrived Tuesday to spend Xmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schmidt.

Miss Helen Johnson of Detroit who is visiting her sister in Gaylord for a month spent Tuesday in Grayling visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnson.

Margrethe and Ella Hanson who are attending the U. of M. at Ann Arbor are expected home the last of the week to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson.

59 YEARS AGO
December 20, 1906

It is stated that 15,000 deer were killed this season in the Upper Peninsula.

Mrs. Ernest Richardson of South Branch was called to Jackson last week by the sudden death of her sister.

The post office at Rose City was burglarized last week. The thieves secured about \$15 and some small mail matter. No clue.

H. C. Halbrook was thrown from a load of hay one day last week and one runner passed over both insteps.

Bleachers

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gional tournaments, and is regarded as one of the finest gyms in the north.

The middle school itself, with about the same enrollment as the high school, will use the gym for physical education classes, along with the 7th and 8th grade basketball games. Branch said it will be also used more for community activities, as it has in recent years, turning it into something like a civic center. Also, the increased use of the high school gym in the future will eliminate conflicts with time-sharing of the gym facilities, Branch added.

The use of two large gyms, such as the high school and middle school gym, will enhance Grayling's chances of holding more tournaments than ever before held in the past. Girl's basketball tournaments have already been held at Grayling this year, and a boy's regional has been appointed to the high school gym. Branch added. There will also be a district wrestling tournament at the high school gym.

In the future, with Grayling's excellent geographical location, more than one tournament could be held at one time in Grayling, according to Branch, such as a class C tournament at the middle school, along with a wrestling tournament or Class B playoff at the high school.

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you to Dr. Menig, nurses and staff of Mercy Hospital for the care given to Charles Kerrison.

From the Charles Kerrison Family

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From Calvary Baptist Church

Gun Control Legislation

Are you aware that there are now almost 50 different bills (48 it is claimed) before the United States Congress restricting the ownership of firearms? It does not take a very smart person to realize that there is a diabolical plan already underway to disarm Caesar or the American people. Our constitutional right to bear arms may be lost within this present generation if a grass roots movement by people like you and me does not begin very soon.

The men who are pushing this legislation claim they are doing this to control crime. It makes about as much sense to ban or control guns to stop criminals as it would to ban or control autos to stop drunk drivers. Just as we put controls on drunk drivers rather than autos, we should put controls on any person who has committed any kind of crime with a firearm, and leave gun control alone. If our forefathers felt that the right to bear arms was important to put in the constitution, then they must have felt that it is important to the preservation of our system of democratic government.

In picking up my son Brian's gun catalog I read across the center of the front cover one of the best pieces of Gun Control Legislation ever written. Read Matthew 7:12: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." This is more commonly known as the golden rule. Men who show contempt for this law of God and the life of their fellowman, should be forced to die by another law of God: "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man." Genesis 9:6. If we insisted on Capital Punishment for gun murders, we would soon find less need for gun controls.

When Jesus was here on earth He gave some of His greatest words of praise to a centurion soldier: "...I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel." Matthew 8:10. In the

next verse Jesus included this man in the kingdom of heaven. Nowhere did Jesus tell this man to take off his weapons or his uniform before he would be acceptable to God. The only kind of gun control we need in America is the kind which comes from Jesus Christ in control of the human heart. May God give us a generation of men in Grayling and across America who will love their God, their country and their families enough to stand and resist the inroads of liberalism and communism which threaten the very existence of our basic institutions.

Read your Bible, pray, write your congressman and hold on to your guns! (Adv.)

Pastor Barnett

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my mother, Augusta Ziebell, who passed away ten years ago on December 21st. She was one of the most self-effacing persons I have ever known — a true Christian in her doing for others and this little verse so seems to symbolize her life:

You cannot pray the Lord's prayer and even once say "My" Nor can you pray the Lord's prayer and not pray for another.

For when you ask for daily bread you must include your brother.

For others are included in each and every plea From the beginning to the end of it — it does not once say "me"

Helen Ziebell Catlin



Mat Men's 3rd Straight Win

Monday night, December 8th, the Grayling Mat Men played host to the Saints of St. Ignace for their first home meet of the season. They downed the Saints 48-24. Scoring for the Mat Men were:

93# Bud McLachlan lost by a pin, 105# Bill Kellogg won by a forfeit, 112# Dale Carman won by a forfeit, 119# Butch Partello won by a pin, 126# Jeff Schlaack won by a pin, 132# Steve Byce won by a pin, 138# Grant Byce won by a forfeit, 145# Doug Sajdak won by a pin, 155# Scott Hanson lost by a pin, 167# Gregg Gothro lost by a pin, 165# Mike Allen lost by a pin and HWY Larry Baynam won by a pin.

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Lovells News

by Ruth Caldwell

Our community was sadden-
ed by the death of Jack Maki.
Mr. and Mrs. Maki have made
their home in our community for
the past four years and have
many friends who extend their
deepest sympathy to the family.
Mr. and Mrs. David Paquette
of Mt. Clemens spent the
weekend with her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Pat Harwood.
Jim Douglas spent the week-
end in Flint, guest of Virginia
Stafford.

Mrs. Opal Hartman is a
patient at Mercy Hospital. Her
many friends wish her a speedy
recovery.

The community Christmas
Party will be held Saturday,
December 20th, at the Town
Hall, starting at 7:30. Please
bring a dish to pass - salad,
sandwiches, beans or dessert.
Everyone is invited.

The Cheerful Givers Club will
meet at the Town Hall on
December 18th, at 7:30. There
will be a \$1.00 gift exchange.
Potluck.

The Lovells Sunday School
Christmas program will be held
Sunday, December 21st at 7:30
at the Lovells Chapel.

Bits O' Talk

by Fay Bovee

Students who have arrived
home from CMU to spend the
semester break until after the
New Year with their parents are:
Lynn Akers with Mr. and Mrs.
LeRoy Akers; Margaret Austin
with her mother, Mrs. Martha
Austin; Janet Papendick with
Mr. and Mrs. Kip Papendick;
John Alef with Mr. and Mrs.
Jack Alef; Bruce David and
Jerry King with Mr. and Mrs.
Ralph King; Donna St. Germain
with Mr. and Mrs. Tom St.
Germain; Tim Ferguson with
Mr. and Mrs. Don Ferguson;
Kevin Trudgeon with Mr. and
Mrs. Jack Trudgeon; Kathy
Johnson with Mr. and Mrs. Lyle
Johnson; Lori Knowles with Mr.
and Mrs. Calvin Knowles; P. J.
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Larry McNamara & Ted Schlaack
with Mr. & Mrs. Larry Schlaack.

Sorenson Agency & Asso-
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27, & 28; also Jan. 1, 2, & 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Madill spent
some time in Myrtle Beach, Fla.
on business. Jim returned home
and Martha flew to Newport
Richey, Fla., to spend a couple
of days with her parents. Mr.
and Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon,
Dorothy had fallen in October
and broken her knee but, Martha
reports that she is fine now.

Jim Tobin is spending his
month's semester break from
CMU with his mother, Mrs.
Eileen Green, in Boca Raton,
Fla.

Crawford Co. Federal Credit
Union will be closed Dec. 26,
27, & 28; also Jan. 1, 2 & 3.

On Saturday, Mrs. Maxine
Barnhart and friend, "Mel" Eis-
enzimmer, of Lansing were
guests of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Carl Doroh. Mrs. Bar-
hart's birthday, which occurred
on December 6th, was cele-
brated. A lovely Texas pecan pie
was served by the hostess and
Maxine presented her parents
with a large red poinsettia plant,
which makes three floral ar-
rangements the Dorohs have re-
ceived for the Holiday season.

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We would like to thank the
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gift of the large table for the
Home. It sure comes in handy
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Hatt's Adult Foster Home

Colorful Person

Our next-door neighbor is a
very colorful person. He turns
red with anger, purple with rage,
yellow with fear, and green with
envy. He's also been known to
break out into little pink dots.

Lansing Report

Rep. Ralph Gettling

NEW BUDGET CUTS ORDERED
A new order to trim the state's
budget was approved by the
House and Senate Appropriations
Committees.

The new order cuts \$123.7
million from the state budget.
The specifics of the new order
are:

—A \$5.4 million reduction in
planned construction projects.

—A \$48 million cut in appro-
priations for education, includ-
ing \$40.5 million out of basic
grants to local school districts
and \$7.5 million in allowances
for four-year state colleges and
universities.

—\$39.6 million in reduced
appropriations for specific pro-
grams, mainly in the welfare
area. About \$14 million of this
amount would be realized by
withholding the increases in
general assistance grants pre-
viously slated to take effect
January 1, 1978. The other
savings would come from cuts
of the stretching out of Medi-
caid benefits.

The Governor also changed
his mind on calling for the
abolishment of the Veterans
Trust Fund and the Motor
Vehicle Accident Claim Fund.
He is now proposing that \$50
million be borrowed from the
Veterans Trust Fund and bor-
rowing another \$18 million from
the accident fund.

In issuing his reduced order,
however, the Governor warned
that further reductions may
have to be made next spring. I
am concerned that the cuts are
not enough to solve the prob-
lems of a potential deficit and
that further cuts will have to be
made later.

LIMIT TAXES

I'm urging Michigan taxpay-
ers to support a petition drive to
limit state spending at the
present 2.3 percent of state
personal income. The drive was
started by a bi-partisan group of
state lawmakers in an attempt
to limit total taxes in this state
and give the real incomes of our
wage earners a chance to
increase. Members of the peti-
tion drive are trying to put the
question of whether to limit
state spending placed on the
ballot for all taxpayers to decide
upon. This route was chosen
because a resolution proposing
the constitutional amendment
has not been reported out of
committee.

Anyone interested in signing
the petition can contact me at
my Lansing office.

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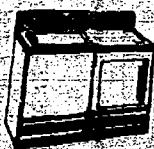
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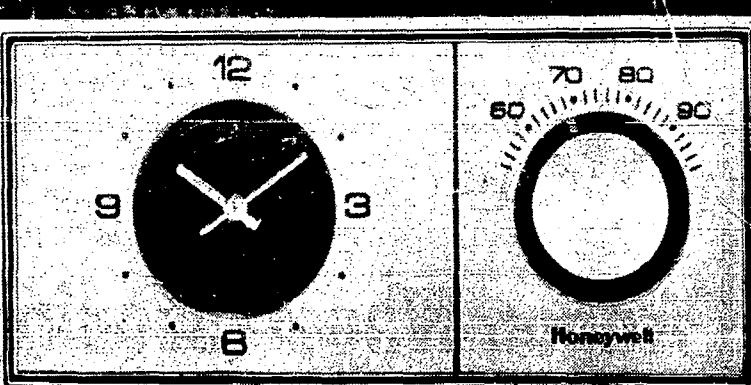
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NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION ACTION
(Under authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended)
BOBCAT HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR 1976

The Natural Resources Commission, at its meeting on June 13, 1975, under the authority of Act 230, P.A. 1925, as amended, in regards to bobcats declared no open season in Zone 3, abridged the open and required a permit to hunt in Zone 2 and on Bois Blanc Island of Zone 1. The seasons and regulations shall be as follows:

Zone 1: No closed season, except on Bois Blanc Island where the season and regulations shall coincide with those of Zone 2.

Zone 2: January 1, through February 29, in Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Otsego, Montmorency and Alpena counties. Hunting by permit only.

Zone 3: No open season.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:
A free permit is required of all persons hunting bobcats in Zone 2. Application must be made in person or by mail as follows:

1. Applicants may appear in person at the Gaylord District Headquarters or at the Atlanta, Indian River, or Millersburg field offices of the Department of Natural Resources. Such application must be made during regular working hours. No application is to be made prior to December 1, 1975.

2. Application by mail must be made individually on a government postal card. The applicant shall address the card to himself, typing or printing his name and address on the postage side of the card. The applicant shall then mail the card in an envelope addressed to: Bobcat Permit, P. O. Box 576, Department of Natural Resources, Gaylord, Michigan 49735. Applications must be postmarked no earlier than December 1, 1975.

PERMITS
There is no limit to the number of permits that will be issued. There will be no charge for the permit. The permit authorizes the bearer to hunt during the entire two-month season in the designated open areas.

HUNTING
No person shall hunt under authority of his permit unless he has signed it in ink and carries it on his person along with his 1975 small game or sportsman's license, and unless he properly wears the back tag provided with his license.

Charles J. Guenther
Executive Assistant to the Director and Secretary to the Natural Resources Commission
12-25-75

Tired Jokes
It's been rumored that ostriches are burying their heads in the sand these days because they're so tired of hearing all the elephant jokes going around. Like how can you tell if an elephant has been in your refrigerator? Check the butter for fingerprints. Yes, very tired jokes.

Bowling Leagues

Notice to League Secretaries
Due to our limited time to retype and decipher bowling standings, we receive, we are forced to impose a new policy. The Avalanche will only publish those standings that are either printed or written legibly on a normal size piece of paper with the standings numbered as such.

American League, 1st Division

1. Bear 27
2. Sawyer's Tree Service 26
3. Legion 21
4. Rochette's 21
5. Seyfert's 21
6. Uncle Al's 20
7. Clair's 19
8. Millikin's 13

High Series: J. Dalka, 592; E. Griffith, 580; T. Grant, 578.
High Game: J. Dalka, 217; T. Grant, 210; R. Sanders, 205.

American League, 2nd Division

1. Wiltsie Carpet 37
2. Parker Surveying 33
3. Moose Lodge 28
4. L.P. Plastics #1 24
5. Union 76 23
6. L.P. Plastics #2 23
7. Hospital 23
8. Scheer Motors 18

High Series: J. Ely, Sr., 568; J. Linendoll, 529; G. Huff & D. Moore, 489.
High Game: J. Linendoll, 199; J. Ely, Sr., 194; J. Ely, Sr., 193.

National League, 1st Division

1. Holiday Inn 31
2. Tarpon Industries 23
3. Gambles 18 1/2
4. Carlisle's 18
5. Red Barn 17
6. Larry & Joan's 17
7. Auto Clinic 16 1/2
8. Hotel 15

High Series: R. Case, 613; D. LaMotte, 599; J. Davis, 561.
High Game: B. Bellanger, 243; R. Case, 233; F. Williams, 224.

National League, 2nd Division

1. Grayling VW 33
2. Caldwell's Grocery 29
3. Legion Lanes 27
4. Union 76 25
5. General Telephone 20
6. Wuerfel's Standard 20
7. R & H Sports 19
8. Corneli's 19

High Series: F. Schaibly, 565; A. Brown, 558; B. Campbell, 544.
High Game: A. Brown, 224; F. Schaibly & B. Nielsen, 223; B. Goodale, 211.

Recreation League

1. R & H Sports Center 39
2. Kozv. Komar 38
3. Mill Town Realty 35
4. Bay City Times 34 1/2
5. Olson's 33
6. Pine Aire Motel 33
7. Coe's Market 33
8. Lovells Bar 32
9. Colonial Motel 32
10. Grayling Bank 31
11. Arrowhead Inn 30
12. Lone Pine Inn 25
13. Legion Lanes 23
14. Union 76 22
15. Bill's Laundry 21
16. Glen's Market 18 1/2

High Series: E. Helsel, 544; K. Bunker, 542; B. LaChapelle, 519.
High Game: N. Gingerich, 213; K. Bunker, 200; B. LaChapelle, 197.
Rhea Gierke Bowled Games of 145-135-125.
R & H Sport Center are winners of the first half. Congratulations.

The Avalanche — Your Want Ad Paper

Editor's Mailbox

To whom it may concern:
I, too, would personally like to thank all the local business- es, fans, parents, boardmem- bers, officers and a special thanks to Lynn Schrieber for all the hours involved in Little League, for making this past season a success.

Now in answer to the Editor's Mailbox that appeared in the 12-11-75 issue of the Avalanche. The game that is being referred to was a make-up game, which in the first place was to have been made up within 10 days, which it wasn't. At this time we also were faced with another problem. Tournament play, which if the parties involved had read or were at all familiar with Little League Rules, there is a rule that states a pitcher is only allowed to pitch so many ending in any one calendar week, so to be fair to all players, game play was called after contacting our District Administrator, (located in Gaylord).

This was also done to Senior Division during their tournament play. Mr. Denton failed to mention why the game had to be rescheduled as he failed to mention, board meetings, he was notified of, but was too involved in his own personal affairs to come to.

After the tournament, both Bear Coach and Manager, plus myself tried several times to reschedule this game at which time we were being faced with a protest. After again trying to reschedule the game - Moose Coach, said he didn't care about any decision from myself or the District Administrator, that he would play the game when he felt like it. After a month of trying to reschedule this game and receiving no co-operation whatsoever from Moose Coach or Manager, it was my decision to rule, as all play had to be finished by the first of September. So after spending better than 3 days working till almost midnight with people including again the District Administrator, I again contacted both teams, with co-operation from the Bear team, and again none from the Moose, so I ruled and then only then did I make my decision.

This has been a most trying year. I was elected into this office and accepted it with only one thing in mind, the Kids of this community.

It would be a better league if the adults would think of the kids instead of their own stubbornness and bullheadedness. In my eyes every one of these kids are winners, there are no losers in Little League.

Thank you again personally to everyone that helped to make Little League a success, again, in our community.

Harold Baker, President
Grayling Little League

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Retirement Income
The largest single source of retirement income for most Americans is social security — provided for under the Social Security Act of 1935 and subsequent amendments.

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There are also many private pension plans provided by employers, labor unions, professional groups, and fraternal organizations. Individuals may purchase annuities during their working years that will yield income during retirement.

Payments of most benefits will not begin until you, the retiree, take the first step. The responsibility rests on you to know what different kinds of benefits you have coming and to get in touch with the offices which handle the benefit programs.

Start finding out about your benefits and procedures many months before your actual retirement — you'll stand a better chance of receiving your first checks shortly after you actually retire.

Representatives of the social security administration are committed to seeing that retired workers and their families get the full benefits to which they are entitled. They will help you in any way possible to get your papers in support of your claim in order. If you're not satisfied with a decision that is made, it is possible to have the decision reexamined within the social security agency — and, if necessary, in the courts.

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He is survived by his wife Edith; two daughters, Mrs. Doyle (Beverly) McKinney of Atlanta, Georgia and Mrs. Robert (Marilynn) Reason of Lincoln, Nebraska; two brothers, six sisters; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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City Council Proceedings

Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, December 8, 1975 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor McEvers.

Members present: R. Golnick, G. Knight, D. McEvers, G. Thompson. Member absent: D. Hanson. Also in attendance: A. Schreiner, City Treasurer; Nelson Miles, City Attorney; Bob Sheen, WGRY; Mike DeAgostino, WWRM; and Steven Walters.

Motion by Golnick, supported by Thompson, that the minutes of meeting of November 24, 1975 be approved as amended to change meeting of November 11, 1975 to read November 10, 1975. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Absent: 1, motion carried. Motion by Golnick, supported by Thompson, that minutes of meeting of December 3, 1975 be approved as presented. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Absent: 1, motion carried.

Communications were received from:

Northern Contractors re: Overhaul of Loader.

Richards & Associates re: A & E contract. Mr. Miles recommended referring to the City Manager for clarification of one or two items. Moved by McEvers, supported by Thompson that the agreement be approved subject to review of the City Manager. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Absent: 1, motion carried.

No citizens appeared who wished to speak at this time.

Old Business:

Mr. Schreiner presented to Council a proposed assessing contract between the City of Grayling and Crawford County. This contract would cost \$5,500.00 per year and would designate the Crawford County Equalization Department as City Assessor. Moved by McEvers, supported by Golnick that the City enter into an assessing contract with Crawford County at a cost of \$5,500.00 per year. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Absent: 1, motion carried.

Mr. Hanson was now present.

A report was given on the negotiation of the bill for prior years assessing. Mr. Schreiner met with the County Board and resolved the differences attendant on their original invoice. The County Board will submit an invoice for \$11,000.00 to replace their previous invoice for \$34,000.00. Moved by McEvers, supported by Golnick that the City issue a check for \$11,000.00 to Crawford County upon receipt of their invoice. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. motion carried.

Discussion was held on enforcement of City Ordinances. Mr. Miles stated that notification of violations are required by the Ordinances. Council expressed a desire to have the Ordinances enforced with priorities being established as:

1. Junk cars - under Nuisance Ordinance.
2. Junk (accumulated) under Nuisance Ordinance.
3. Abandoned houses - based on each individual case and reported to Council for decision.

Mr. Miles was asked to report on the status of the nursing home. He did not have any report to make at this time.

Mrs. Knight was asked to report on the December 1, 1975 meeting of the Airport Committee. Discussion was held on the court case which has been delayed again. Discussion was also held on whether Kirtland College would become involved. Access has been restricted because of a chain placed across the drive by Grayling Air. Several people were opposed to this procedure. Mr. Miles reported that he is very disturbed about the manner in which this matter is being handled. Numerous other items of concern were brought up, however, no action was taken by the committee.

New Business:

Discussion was held on a proposal for a downtown Special Assessment district. Council expresses a need for a petition for a Special Assessment district from the downtown business owners stating what is desired and how the provision of benefit and cost is to be determined and further evidence of benefit and estimated cost of the project.

Purchase of a new Cannon copier for the City office was discussed. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Water billing procedure was discussed. Mr. Walters asked about the \$4.75 shut-off fee which is assessed if a shut-off notice is prepared and mailed. Mr. McEvers explained why the fee is charged. Mr. Walters stated that he felt that the charge is unfair. Council expressed their opinion that the charge is fair in that it assesses the cost of preparing these notices to the parties involved rather than spreading it over all customers.

Reports of Councilmen:

Mr. Hanson stated that some of the Christmas trees are on corners and are traffic hazards. Mr. Schreiner will ask the police to look into this.

Mr. McEvers reported on a United Way Fund meeting December 10, 1975 at Michigan Consolidated Gas Company at 7:30 p.m.

A letter from the American Legion re: State Convention Program advertisement. No action was taken. Mr. Schreiner was asked to write and explain Council's position.

Mr. Golnick reported that the Firemen are now attending a fire school which will last twenty-two weeks. This school is being conducted to increase knowledge of basic fire handling procedures.

Reports of City Manager:

Resolution from Crawford County re: H.U.D. application.

Public hearings on rezoning, December 29, 1975.

Monthly financial report.

Christmas Holiday - Employees will have Friday, December 26, as a holiday to replace the scheduled December 24. Offices will be closed December 25 and 26.

Adjournment:

Moved by McEvers, supported by Golnick that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Allen V. Schreiner, City Treasurer

Road Commission Minutes

December 5, 1975

A regular meeting of the Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners held in their office in Grayling, Chairman Johnson presiding. Members present, Commissioners Harold T. Johnson, Ervin E. Richter and R. LeRoy Millikin, and Engineer Manager John M. Keir. Absent, none.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read. A motion was made by Comm. Richter, supported by Comm. Millikin that the minutes be approved as read. All voted in favor, motion carried.

A letter was received from the State Department of Commerce, from C. E. Magguhn, relative to their request to close two roads crossing the Penn Central Railroad.

A letter was received from Local Government in regard to conversion of Stephan Bridge Road, South of M72, from a local to a primary road. The request was refused subject to future study.

There being no further business a motion was made and supported to adjourn. All voted in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

/s/ Harold T. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Florence S. Douglas, Secretary

December 7, 8 & 9, 1975

A special meeting held to attend the Annual Conference of the Association of Southern Michigan Road Commissioners held at Grand Rapids. Commissioners Harold T. Johnson, Ervin E. Richter and R. LeRoy Millikin, and Superintendent Norman H. Feldhauser attended to Conference.

/s/ Harold T. Johnson, Chairman

/s/ Florence S. Douglas, Secretary

Case No. 75 002 404

Circuit Court Sale

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 17th day of November, 1975, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein ARTHUR SOLBERG and VIRGINIA M. SOLBERG were the Complainants and JOHN HOW-ELLS, JR. was the Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Crawford County Court House in the City of Grayling (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County), on Monday, the 26th day of January, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Local Time, the following described property situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, viz:

1. Lots 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 of Block 7 of the Fifth Addition to Portage Lake Park, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and
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Copies of materials and information bearing on the value of this line of railroad and upon the revenues and expenses associated with its operation in recent years (prepared in conformity to regulations of the Rail Services Planning Office of the Interstate Commerce Commission) are on file at the Penn Central Transportation Company offices, Room 400 Penn Central Station, 2405 West Vernor Highway, Detroit, Michigan 48216, where such data may be examined by interested persons during regular business hours.

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11-18-25

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gordon L. Amiotte and Margaret M. Amiotte, husband and wife, Box 311, Grayling, Michigan, to Capp Homes, Inc., a division of Evans Products Company, a Delaware Corporation, of 3255 Hiawatha Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, dated December 29, 1970, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on January 11, 1971, in Liber 107, page 513-515, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-one and 56/100 (\$10,931.56) Dollars, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW, THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in pursuance to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Crawford County Courthouse, front steps, in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on January 26, 1976 at 11:00 o'clock Michigan time in the morning of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said mortgage together with interest thereon, legal costs, attorney fees and also any additional taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee pays on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows:

A part of the N½ of the NW¼ of the SW¼ of Section 8, T26N, R3W; beginning at the SE corner of said tract and running thence N 89°55' W on the South line thereof, 120 feet; thence N 1°20' E 120 feet; thence S 89°55' E 120 feet to the East line thereof; thence S 1°20' W along same 120 feet to the point of beginning.

The period of redemption will be 6 months from date of sale. DATED: December 12, 1975

Law Offices of Sinclair & Clulo

By Paul J. Clulo,

Attorneys for

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Moose News

By Elmer Neal
Well I'm back after sampling the easy side of life. I still enjoy my Moose Club most of all and I'll try from now on to keep all the members informed of what is going on.

I know it is about time that the members got together and gave the Governor Att. Stephan son and secretary Ed Engles a little support, and I'm one of the most guilty ones. But I'm going to mend my ways.

Every indication is that we will have a band on New Years. Even if the membership requests it.

On the more serious side of life — We have a good brother in the Veterans Hospital in Saginaw and Erv Watson in the Grayling Hospital. Both of those brothers would appreciate a card, call or a visit from you. Don't forget, someday you may be there yourself.

On the brighter thing's in life — We have Euchre games every Thursday night starting at 7:00 p.m. Also every one in the Moose wishes to extend to Effie Howe the happiest of birthdays on the 19th of December. She will have reached the age of 80 years young. Congratulations Effie, stay with us a long time. You and your husband are priceless in this fraternity and we will all see you at the Moose Lodge the 19th.

We also have to say welcome back to Cleet & Lucille Letting from their summer and fall in Wisconsin. It is sure good to have you back.

Don't forget this Lodge is your Lodge and my Lodge. I did forget it for awhile but I'm back and I'm going to stay back.

I want the people back to being active in the Moose that helped me so much in the years it was so rough. I'm proud. I'm your brother and will till the lord wants me.

Believe Me,
Elmer Neal

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THANK YOU FROM THE RIVER COUNTRY PLAYERS

The membership of the River Country Players wish to express their sincere appreciation to the following people for their support of the recent production of "Prisoner of 2nd Avenue": Dave Frederick of the Homestead House for the beautiful furniture; D & R used furniture for the kitchen range; Weavers Milltown Gifts for the musical whiskey pourer; The Back Porch Flowers and Gifts; all of the program advertisers; the lighting and technical crews at the high school; WGRY Radio Station and the Crawford County Avalanche; the businesses who accepted posters to display and of course, the audience who supported us not only with their presence, but with their laughter and applause.

MYSTERY REVEALED!

Viv Nichols, of the "Who Knows" show on WGRY, was revealed as the "Mystery" voice of the upstairs woman in the River Country Players Production of "Prisoner of 2nd Avenue." Viv was hoping to be able to throw the bucket of water on Wayne Hindmarsh, also of WGRY, who very ably played the difficult part of Mel. However, due to technical problems, Bob Kelly, who assisted Greg Hayes on set design, did the actual "dowsing".

Linda Laeder, who supported Wayne as his wife Edna, displayed a wide range of emotions including real tears in one scene. Both roles were very demanding with Wayne's emotions having to range from paranoid to "sedated".

Doug Wilson was so convincing in his role as the older brother that those who do not know him were surprised at his real age. Gloria Alef, one of the sisters, received many laughs as she cried and carried on. Jody Landsperger and Jan Grandmason, in their first role on stage, were very much "in character" as Mel's older sisters. They both show great potential and we are looking forward to having them in future shows.

The River Country Players will be having a membership drive for 1976. Costs are \$5.00 Active and \$15.00 Patron. Election of officers will be held at the January meeting and final plans made for a production during the Winter Sports Carnival. All interested persons are urged to attend this very important meeting. Time, date and place will be announced through the media, or for more information contact, Norma Naour at 348-3475 or Helen Moon at 348-3322.

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7th-8th Graders Split Games

The Little Vikings of Grayling Middle School split their two games with the Gaylord 7th and 8th grade in the home opener Monday night. The Grayling 7th grade opened the evening with a 26-12 victory but in a game that went down to the last 12 seconds Gaylord handed the 8th grade their first loss in two seasons by a score of 33-31.

In the 7th grade game, both teams scored four points in the first period but Bill Roach continually out-raced Gaylord down the floor in the second period to score 10 points and lead the Little Vikings to an 18-8 halftime lead. Coach Art Thayer substituted freely in the second half but his team still outscored the Little Blue Devils 8-4 to seal the win.

Bill Roach lead all scoring with 16 points, Greg Lawe added 4 and Scott Hamlin, Harold Hatfield and Dan Vaugh added 2 each.

The 8th grade game was tight all the way. The first period ended 10-10. Grayling pulled out in front 18-16 at the half but Gaylord tied it up at 27-27 at the end of three periods. With two Grayling starters fouling out, Gaylord pulled it out by taking the last period 6-4.

The difference was in the balanced scoring for the winners as nine different players scored to only six for Grayling. Todd Duncley of Grayling led all scorers with 12 points. He was joined by Rocky Tobin with 9, George Bindschattel with 4 and Chris Lepsey, Duke Knight and Dave Bendig with 2 each. Eric Kahlu led the victors with 9.

After a game at Mio Wednesday night Grayling will be idle until after Christmas vacation.

Vike Mat Men Defeat Kasky

The Grayling Mat Men, after a busy weekend, traveled to Kalkaska Monday night and came home with a 42-21 win. Scoring for the Grayling Mat Men were: 98# Bill Kellogg won by a pin, 105# Dale Carmean won by a forfeit, 112# Chuck Goinick won 9-5, 119# Jeff Schlaack won by a pin, 126# Butch Partello won by a pin, 132# Jeff Kolka lost 7-2, 138# Grant Byce won by a pin, 145# Doug Saldek lost by a pin, 155# Scott Hanson won by a pin, 167# Gregg Gothro lost by a pin, 168# Joe St. John lost by a pin, HWY Larry Baynham won by a pin.

This Thursday night, December 18th, Petoskey will be here.

District Court

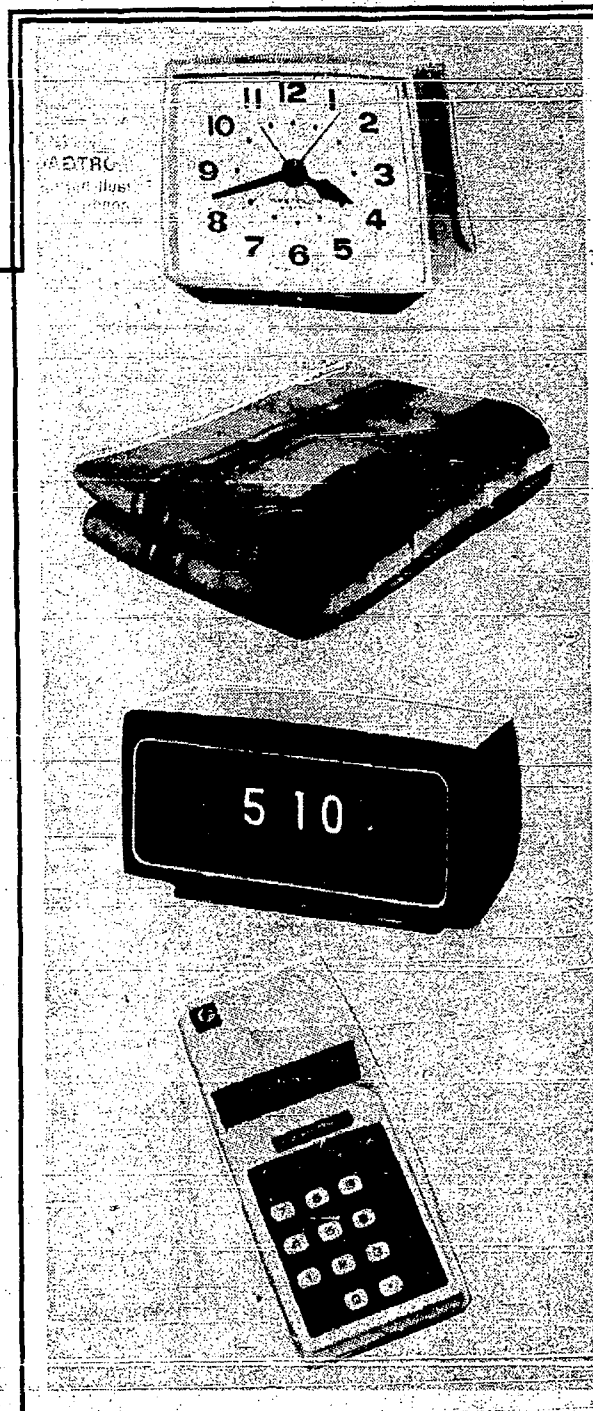
The following appeared in the 83rd District Court before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Kathleen Marie Smith, 17, of Detroit pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful use of marijuana. Total fine and costs were \$154.00 or 14 days in jail. Smith was arrested by City Policemen November 14.

Lowell David Schriber, 41, of Midland entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of disorderly person by intoxication in a public place. His total fine and costs were \$64.00 or 7 days in jail. He was arrested by City Police November 1.

Norman Smock, 18, of Grayling entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of assault and battery. Total fine and costs were \$104.00 or 14 days in jail. He was arrested on a citizen's complaint October 10.

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It kind of makes you stop and think about the possible consequences of a strike here in our small community doesn't it? Some of us think that an NLRB election should be tried first.

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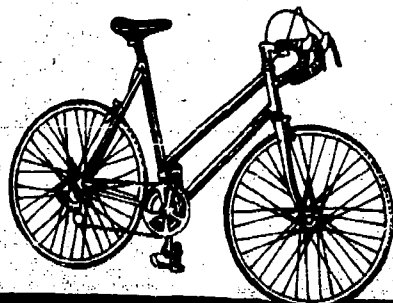
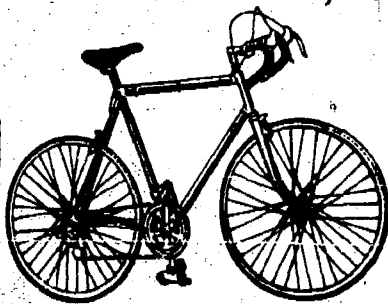
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Plan Counseling Branch Office For Roscommon

Community, Family & Children's Services, Central District Office based in Gaylord, has announced plans to open a branch office in Roscommon. Tim Uhlmann, the agency director, said the effort to make services available in the Roscommon, and Crawford County areas was the result of a steady increase in the number of persons from these areas traveling to Gaylord for services on a regular basis.

Appointments for counseling can be made by calling the main office, 732-5313 (517). Dan Dumsch, who will be traveling to Roscommon on Mondays, has his masters degree in social work and special training in the areas of gerontology and problems of adolescents.

Community, Family & Children's Services has as its goal the strengthening of the family unit and the provision of services that directly or indirectly help others to help themselves. Staff are professional social workers (certified by the State of Michigan, Bureau of Licensing) whose training equips them to deal with a wide range of problems. Uhlmann noted that the problems encountered most frequently are 1) individuals struggling with depression and/or confusion about what to do with their lives, 2) parent-child conflict, 3) problem pregnancies, 4) problems with communications and decision making, 5) alcohol and other substance abuse.

Staff will also be available for consultation by other agencies, speaking engagements, and preventative - educational programs. Groups wishing to be addressed by a staff member from the agency or organizations that wish to consider offering a preventative program aimed at a particular problem area, should contact Mr. Uhlmann to make arrangements.

Trouble In Toyland

Toys under the Christmas tree. Sheer joy for the children. But toys can be trouble, too.

Almost every day, according to statistics, a youngster chokes to death on an object that in many cases has broken off a toy. A baby swallows bits of a stuffed rabbit pulled apart. Or bites a bead ripped of a rattle. Vapors explode in chemistry kits. Just a few years ago, estimates were that nearly 700,000 children were injured each year while playing with toys.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission was set up to check toys and other products. But - imagine - 5,000 completely new toys are introduced each year. The job is enormous. Many established companies voluntarily have new toys tested for safety. And the Consumer Product Safety Commission publishes lists of banned toys, which are on display in many quality stores.

Choking on bits of toys is one problem. Another is swallowing something "the wrong way." Instead of going down the throat into the stomach, the object travels a different route. It slips down into the windpipe and into a breathing passage in the lung. Blocking a breathing passage can cause a disease called bronchiectasis. Removal of the object is essential.

Toddlers can reach up for all those goodies on display at Christmas - peanuts and candy - and stuff them in their mouth or up their nose. Either way, the object can land in their lungs and cause trouble.

Christmas Seals help fight a wide assortment of troublemakers in the lungs. Answer your Christmas Seal letter today to help join the fight against emphysema, TB, chronic bronchitis, cigarette smoking and air pollution. It's a Matter of Life and Breath. And buy safe toys for the kids.

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Richard Milliman



Kidnap victim justified

Maybe the attraction for me is the occupation of the kidnap victim, but the Reg Murphy case intrigues me still.

That's where this guy kidnapped the editor of one of the Atlanta newspapers — Reg Murphy by name — and held him for a couple of days and collected a flock of ransom.

The kidnap was released physically unharmed, while the kidnapper — one William Williams by name — was captured and sentenced to 40 years in prison for extortion.

Now a federal court has reversed the ruling, claiming among other things prejudicial publicity — including a long article by the kidnap.

Murphy is quite upset about the whole thing — in fact, his prose seemed more purple over the court reversal than it was over the kidnapping in the first place.

Now editor and publisher of the San Francisco Examiner, Murphy was extremely critical of the federal court reversal — and the publicity about his criticism, including this essay, conceivably, may well be prejudicial to Mr. Williams in the future.

Commented Murphy:

"Let's face it. Mr. Williams came to my office. He made the telephone calls to the newspapers and the radio stations. He demanded the FBI chief appear live on radio and television for my life. He generated the publicity, he demanded all of it."

"I presume the judges would like the trial to be held on Guam or in the Bavarian Alps before a jury which speaks no English and knows no American customs."

"The federal judiciary," Murphy concluded, "will have to come out of its ivory tower and live in the real world where people get kidnapped and kidnapers command publicity in exchange for the lives of their victims."

I'm inclined to say a simple but firm "amen" to kidnap victim Murphy's conclusions. But then, maybe it's only professional courtesy.

Avalanche Of Bills Hits Legislature
And then there's the case of the Michigan Legislature, 1975 style, which has already set a new record.

More bills have been introduced in the 1975 legislature than in any Michigan legislature in history.

By the first of December, the Michigan lawmakers had introduced 3,041 bills, which passed the old record of 3,038 for the entire year of 1969. And there was still a month to go when the new record was set.

Any bills introduced in the first year of a two-year legislative session which remain unpassed when the second year starts are still alive and kicking; they carry over for the full two years of the session. And the lawmakers can introduce more bills next year; the post track record indicates about 1,000 more suggested laws and changes will be introduced in 1976.

Senate Majority Leader William B. Fitzgerald of Detroit explains that the drum of bill introductions indicates this year's legislators are more aggressive than in some past years.

"This is a hard working, activist legislature, especially in the senate," Fitzgerald said.

"We have several new members in the senate and they're getting into these issues with both feet."

He's right on volume; the 1975 senate has introduced about 100 more bills than the record-setting pace of the senate in 1969.

But what amazes me is the fact that our elected lawmakers believe our present laws are in such bad shape that we need 4,000 new ones.

How on earth have we been able to survive so far, if 4,000 new laws are deemed desirable? It's sort of frightening.

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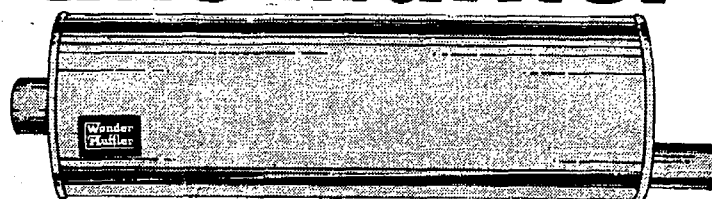
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IF IT FITZ

Jim Fitzgerald



The world's really like that

Lawyers are chief among those who make it tough for a wise-guy columnist to do his thing.

What I mean is, we smartie writers often depend upon exaggeration to make our point. It's the type of writing that more erudite people might call satire or caricature or at least sarcasm.

For example, I wouldn't simply write that my baby sister is overweight. I would write that the Rand-McNally people requested her to stand still long enough for alternate routes to be mapped for motorists who want to avoid having to drive around her. Now you know she isn't really big enough to be put on a map, like an alp. But you do get the idea she must proceed sideways through canyons, which is correct. See?

The trouble comes when the satirist must deal with subjects so outrageous they can't be exaggerated. How could I stretch the truth if my sister really did weigh 10 tons?

Washington has been an awful problem in recent years. We had a Secretary of the Air Force who didn't know his planes were bombing Cambodia. We had an FBI shirt drawer. We had a Pentagon that kept score of the war by counting dead bodies and having cheerleaders announce the results every hour on the hour.

For years the kidding columnists had written that most politicians were dirty crooks who should be run out of office and into jail. Then came Agnew and Nixon and the Watergate lawyers. There was no way to exaggerate about those birds short of accusing them of being Nazis or murderers. Then we learned about the FBI and CIA plots...

Things aren't much better in the smaller towns, especially when it comes to lawyers. I used to kid lawyers for charging \$500 for advising a client, after a 2-year delay, to pay a \$10 traffic ticket. But how can I kid the 5 lawyers who were recently shot down in Howell, Mich?

These guys worked on a Detroit Edison condemnation case and submitted a total bill of \$438,000. But a probate judge ruled their work was worth only \$75,000. That's an 80% slash!

One law firm for instance submitted a \$148,000 bill to Edison. Judge Dwight Cheevers cut it to \$22,960. And he added that the lawyer had done a lousy job, saying he "failed to read the court files and then proceeded to waste the court's time as to a matter that had already been heard."

About all 5 lawyers the judge said: "In effect, the very number of attorneys prolonged the length of the trial yet each attorney is requesting full payment for the time spent by him and other attorneys prolonging the trial."

The whole thing sounds like something Art Buchwald might write. Whoever heard of a lawyer charging \$148,000 for \$22,960 worth of work? And doing a bad job? It has to be an exaggeration.

But it really happened, thus adding to the woes of the wise-guy columnists who might as well smash their distorted mirrors. The world really looks like that.

The next time you see me writing with tongue in cheek, check it out. It will probably be bubble gum.



On Friday, November 29th, Tina VanNuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen VanNuck of Shangri La Subdivision, Grayling, became the bride of Leonard Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Morris of Mt. Clemens. Father Ron Milligan officiated at the six o'clock ceremony at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Mt. Clemens. The bride's grandfather sang "On This Day, Oh Beautiful Mother."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white Jersey gown with beaded bodice, long sleeves and high neckline. A turban style headpiece held her veil of bridal illusion and she carried a bouquet of red roses.

The bride had six attendants, including her three sisters. They wore dark green jersey dresses with braid trim and a band of

matching braid around their heads. They carried copper pitchers with straw flowers.

Tara Keller, niece of the groom, was the flower girl and John Ashby, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer.

The groom's attendants included his three brothers. They all wore green tuxedos.

A reception for about 400 guests was held at the V.F.W. Hall in New Baltimore following the ceremony.

Following a week's honeymoon trip to the Pocono Mountains and New York City, the couple is making their home in Mt. Clemens.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Van Nuck chose a sage green jersey dress with cream lace trim. Mrs. Morris wore an aqua jersey dress and jacket for the marriage of her son.

"Main Stream Musing"

Parents are Persons

(By Jaymee Seidel)

Dr. Spock reports he has just revised his famous book, *Baby and Child Care*, to eliminate the sexism that he says pervaded previous issues. I can't wait to see the new edition. There are probably lots of new topics, such as:

Co-ed Baby Showers. This would have to include advice to men on how to act delighted when opening the presents at a baby shower. They will have to be taught all of the cute folklore of babies, too, like pink being for girls and blue for boys, and if they break the bow when opening a package they'll soon have another offspring. I know it isn't scientific, fellas, but it's the sort of thing we women have been compelled to babble about for generations, and we will be only too glad to have someone we love share the agony of baby shower talk with us.

Division of Duties. Spock is, so liberated, I'll bet he is instructing couples to form contracts to cover bathing, diapering, and walking the floor. That way a person could, upon detecting that certain aroma from baby's direction, merely glance at schedule B of the contract and say with a sympathetic smile, "Your turn, dear."

By the way, since he can't assume anymore that the parent caring for the child is a "she", and it's wrong to call the baby one sex or the other, he may be writing about the Parent and It. Or he may take a cue from legal language ... "The party of the first part firmly grasps the ankles of the party of the second part, lifting said second party's posterior onto the clean diaper..."

And what about pre-natal care? Naturally, husbands are to be included in the vital preliminaries, too. The doctor will listen to the tiny heartbeat, check the Mother's weight, and then turn to the husband, "Feeling OK lately? Any unusual cravings, mood swings, or anything?" "Well, Doc," the man answers, "I hated to mention it, but I have been eating an awful lot of sauerkraut pizzas for lunch. And the guys at work say I'm hard to get along with. There's a new sign on the water cooler that says I can't be there when anybody else is. I just feel ... oh, sort of jumpy and depressed."

"Understandable," the doc smiles. "You're about to embark on a whole new adventure. Don't be afraid of these feelings, they're perfectly natural."

We've always treated the waiting Mother with special respect and concern. Now (to avoid being sexist) we'll have to do the same for the expectant Papa. If you know a friend's wife is in that condition, I suppose it would be polite to hold doors open for him, and give some support to his elbow when he's getting out of a car. "How's the

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Christmas Tree Decorations Made



Children in Miss Johnson's and Mrs. Benson's rooms have been making Christmas tree decorations for their trees. On Tuesday they did one that is made of a medicine bottle and angel hair, and felt. They put felt and things around the top of the bottle and then put angel hair in it and put an angel, Santa, bell, or something in the bottle.

The one they made Thursday was a little more difficult. They used: milkweed pods, felt, silver spray, metallic braid, nik-nack. They sprayed the silver spray on the outside and glued red or green felt inside and then put metallic braid on the outside edges. Then they put angel hair in it, then things like bells inside. If they didn't have anything to put inside, Miss Johnson gave them a piece of holly. They were pretty.

(by Stacy Robinson and Karyn Reynolds)

Frederic Elementary School

Children in Mr. Hatfield's room have been making Christmas wreaths and Santa faces to decorate their room. Deputy Coe, of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department came to discuss "water safety." In English class, they have been learning the parts of a friendly letter. They had to learn their address and know how to spell the words correctly.

Mrs. Hawkins' and Mrs. Ingvarsson's classes are planning a Christmas tea for their parents. They took movies of their classrooms this fall and will show them to the parents. Mrs. Ingvarsson's class will decorate cookies for the tea and Mrs. Hawkins' class plans to make some brownies for the event. They are hoping a lot of parents can attend.

This week, in the sixth grade class, we have been making Christmas trees out of yarn. Mr. Olson is having basketball for the girls and boys in 4th, 5th, and 6th grade.

(by Star Rogers and Sue Love)

Santa's Elves Busy

On Monday afternoon, December 8th, the children in Mrs. Gothro's third grade class were invited into the Resource Room of Grayling Elementary to make Christmas gifts. Since an oven was needed for the project, Mrs. Smith made us all welcome. Rev. Smith also was there to help us and spent the afternoon with us. We are very grateful to both of them for their hospitality and help.

Thursday afternoon we worked on another Christmas project. Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Bidwell came to our room and spent the afternoon helping each of us on our gift. We would like to thank them, too, for their generous gift of time and help.

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The Grayling Freshman basketball team defeated the St. Ignace Saints 49 to 45 in a tough battle last Monday night at St. Ignace. Down by twelve at one point in the game, the Vikings came back to win the game by four.

Leading the scoring attack was Geoff Stancil who scored 28 and Scott Johnston scoring eleven. This was their third game this year.

They also defeated the Charlevoix Rayders 59 to 54. Leading the scoring drive in that particular game was Scott Johnston with 24 and Stancil with 22, and losing to Gaylord Blue Devils 56 to 52 in a close battle which was the Vikings first game of the season.

Leading scorers of that game were Stancil with 31 and Dan Niederer with 10. The Vikings present record stands at 2-1.

(by Ann Kelly & Phil Trudgeon)



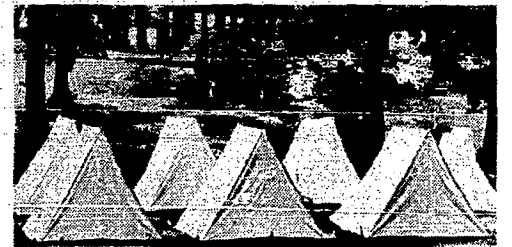
MISSOURI STUDIED—Raeanne Swanson has written a letter of thanks to the Missouri Division of Tourism for the brochure that was sent to our class. We have been reading The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, and the brochure enhanced the story of the area and culture.

Parents could keep in mind that there are places of interest such as Hannibal, Missouri, with its museums and sights that deal with school subject matter. These places could make excellent vacation sites.

(By Jerry Hayes)

BRIDGET FAIRBOTHAM HONORED

Bridget Fairbotham, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lovell, a senior at Grayling High School has been named a Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. She is one of 35,000 students so designated by National Merit for her high performance on the NMSQT. This is less than 2% of this year's graduating class. Commended students are not eligible for any monetary awards from National Merit, but are sought after by many post-secondary schools because of their excellent achievement.



BATTLE SITE—As part of the Bicentennial celebration, the National Park Service is rehabilitating the visitor center and installing new exhibits at Moores Creek National Military Park, North Carolina. Here, on February 27, 1776, patriots and loyalists clashed in a decisive action during the opening phase of the American Revolution. The victory helped prevent full-scale invasion of the South and influenced the North Carolina delegation to the Continental Congress to vote for independence, making North Carolina the first colony to do so.



your week ahead

BY DR. A.W. DAVIS

Forecast Period:
December 21 to December 27

Turn up the wick at your job, task or project. Whether or not you are aware of it, it's an ideal time to start new programs.

Getting use to a change that is taking place in your immediate environment, could be a problem. Incidentally, any changes that take place—will be to your advantage.

You'll do well with the opposite sex. As a matter of fact, there's some sort of overture or acknowledgement coming your way.

Today, you could be referred to as being—"a soft touch." According to your chart, it's highly probable, that you'll forget about charity beginning at home.

Many members of your sign will be asked to do something that is—well—some sort of honor. There is a catch, however, that task will not bring you popularity.

You're inclined to take things for granted, today. But, most important, you're going to get the feeling that an associate has let you down.

Mentally, most members of your sign are now sharply honed. It's not likely that any sort of written error will get by you.

Running around with a sword in your belt—all set to do verbal battle—seems to be in the general scheme of things for most members of your sign.

Being hard to get along with, especially when a member of the opposite sex is involved—seems to be your hang up! Take it easy, Sagittarius, you'll need all the help you can handle.

Things should look bright in most departments of your life. Actually, things will go your way—in spite of a few blunders.

You should hear good news concerning your job, task or project. Incidentally, this good news will come in a rather bizarre and misleading form.

Not that you're going to face any "hair raising" reversals, the fact remains that, emotionally, you'll be as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar.

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Today, as all over the world men foment turbulence and strife, let us seek the Prince of Peace. If each of us, as we celebrate the season, would radiate His presence, His star could light the world with peace!

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